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IN THE SOCIAL WORLD

**Oscar Straus Leases the Hen-
derson Residence.**

FOUNDLING BABIES AT HOME

**Fashionable Company Patronizes the
Unique Function for the Benefit of
the Hospital—The Assistant Sec-
retary of War and Mrs. Oliver Sec-
retary at Dinner—Personal Notes.**

Hon. Oscar Straus, the Cabinet officer-
elect from New York, who recently spent
several days in Washington, with Mrs.
Straus, has decided to lease as his new
home the residence on Sixteenth street
recently built by ex-Senator and Mrs.
John B. Henderson. This property, un-
doubtedly the handsomest private house
ever offered for rent in Washington, is
of pure Italian architecture, built under
the direct supervision of Mrs. Henderson.
It is situated two blocks beyond Florida
avenue, due north from the White House,
and is the outpost of the scores of fine
homes adorning that thoroughfare.

The annual "at home" of the babies of
the Foundling Hospital, 1715 Fifteenth
street, which for ten years or more, has
been a feature of the Thanksgiving sea-
son, took place yesterday afternoon at
the hospital, where the friends of the in-
stitution were received from 3 until 6
o'clock. That the interest in this unique
tea continues unabated from year to year
was shown by the large and fashionable
company, which not only patronized the
refreshment room, purchased the dolls,
flowers, and home-made confection-
ery, which are famous, but contributed
generously to the store of groceries and
household linen, which it has become a
custom to replenish each autumn.

Thirty children, ranging from two
months to six years of age, were at the
home, which is one of the most des-
serving charities of the District.
The women in charge of the reception
and sale were Mrs. Simon Wolf, Mrs. A.
Lerner, Mrs. Richard Sylvester, Mrs. W.
S. Knox, Mrs. A. T. Edington, Mrs. Lester
Platt, Mrs. Joseph Auerbach, Mrs. J.
Curtis Smith, Mrs. Shirley W. Bowles,
Mrs. W. E. Boughton, Mrs. George John-
son, Mrs. T. B. Jewel, Mrs. A. B. Brown.
These matrons were assisted by a bevy
of young ladies, who acted as saleswomen
and waitresses in the tea room. The latter
was decorated in autumn foliage,
palm, and chrysanthemum.

The Assistant Secretary of War and
Mrs. Oliver entered at dinner last
evening. Their guests included Col. and
Mrs. Cromwell, Dr. and Mrs. Pettus, Mrs.
Clement, Miss Hagner, Capt. Sydney A.
Clemson, Capt. Hutchinson, Capt. Gilmore,
Capt. Lee, and the Misses Oliver.

Mrs. Driggs, wife of Commander W. H.
Driggs, U. S. N., entertained at a large
luncheon yesterday, complimentary to
her daughter, Miss Natalie Driggs, and
Miss Katharine Claiborne, both debut-
antes of the present season. White chrys-
anthemum and pink-capped candles,
with bonbons and confections in pink,
served as the chief decoration. In addi-
tion to Miss Driggs and Miss Claiborne,
Miss Hannah Taylor, Miss James Glen-
ville, Miss Helen Hatfield, Miss Helen
Wilson, Miss Mary Brady, a debutante of
Baltimore to be presented this season,
and the house guest of Miss Driggs, Miss
Helen Taylor, Miss James Glen-ville,
Miss Saddle Murray, Miss Louise Ryan,
and Miss Ruth Tanner.

The Misses Morris and their sister, Mrs.
Hastings, have issued cards for an after-
noon reception on December 1, when Miss
Hastings will be presented to society.

The marriage is announced of Miss Ag-
nes Campbell Gordon Armstrong, of this
city, to Mr. Adolfo de Netti, of Italy, who
is now residing in Washington. The cere-
mony, at which Rev. Frederick Ors officiated,
took place at the home of the bride's
grandfather, Henry Buchanan
Bird, in the presence of a small family
party on Wednesday, November 21. After
the wedding breakfast Mr. and Mrs. de
Netti left on their wedding trip. Upon
their return they will reside in Wash-
ington. Mr. de Netti being engaged upon a
number of magnificent figures to adorn
the new municipal building.

Maj. William Ludgate has issued cards
announcing the marriage of his daughter,
Miss Pauline Ludgate, and Mr. John El-
worth Laskey, at high noon, Wednesday,
the 21st. The wedding was a quiet one,
because of a recent death in the family.
The ceremony was performed by Rev.
William A. Fletcher, D. D., of the Bal-
timore Cathedral. The bride was attended
by her sister, Mrs. I. V. Murray, Jr.,
as matron of honor, and by six of her girl
friends, Miss Mamie Moore, Miss Elsie
Vivian Pratt, of New Jersey, Miss Kate
Moore, Miss Mildred Strothers, of Vir-
ginia; Miss Maybelle Clements, and Miss
Geraldine Lamb. Mr. Richard Thompson
acted as best man for Mr. Laskey. Mr.
and Mrs. Laskey will be at home, 1522
Baltimore street, after January 1.

Mrs. William C. Denny entertained at
luncheon yesterday in honor of her debut-
ante niece, Miss Esther Palmer Denny.

Mrs. Henry Yates Satterlee, wife of the
Bishop of Washington, entertained at
luncheon yesterday.

Maj. George Barnett, U. S. M. C., en-
tertained at a small tea yesterday at his
quarters at the Marine Barracks, com-
plimentary to Miss Elsie McLean, debutante
daughter of Commander and Mrs. Walter
McLean.

The Washington Water Color Club has
issued cards for its eleventh annual ex-
hibition in the Hemicycle of the Corcoran
Art Gallery on Saturday, November 24,
with private view from 10 to 4, and recep-
tion in the evening from 8 to 11.

The exhibition will be open daily to the
public from November 25 to December 15.

Mrs. Charles H. Campbell, 2104 G street,
has cards out for a tea Friday, Novem-
ber 23, 5 to 7.

Mrs. John E. Reyburn has organized a
series of eight talks by Miss Carolyn

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Porte on current events, to be given in
the hall, 176 Massachusetts avenue, on
Wednesday mornings, beginning Decem-
ber 5. As the number of tickets will be
limited to the capacity of drawing-rooms,
ladies wishing to join this class are re-
quested to communicate with Mrs. Rey-
burn or Miss Porte. The latter, who is
well known to a large portion of Wash-
ington's smart society, has just returned
from eighteen months in Europe, where
she enjoyed many unusual advantages of
travel and study in England, Switzerland,
and Italy.

Mrs. C. L. Magee, widow of Hon. Chris
Magee, of Pittsburgh, has returned to
Rome, where she now makes her winter
home.

Another American, well known in Wash-
ington, who purposes passing most of
the season in Rome, is Mrs. L. M.
Iddings, whose husband was formerly
secretary of embassy in Rome, but is now
diplomatic agent in Egypt, with head-
quarters at Cairo.

There will be a special meeting of the
Pocahontas Memorial Association at the
Edith House to-day, at 4:30. Old and
new members are invited to meet the
sculptor, Mr. Ordway Partridge, of New
York City.

The marriage of Miss Clara Montde-
tomer, of Spain, and Mr. Clayton De
Peasey, of Pennsylvania, will take place
in Washington December 19.

Mrs. Frederic V. Abbott has invitations
out for a debutante's dance December 11.
The Misses Abbott and her twin daughters,
will make their debut on that occasion.

Miss Cushman will give a small tea Sat-
urday, the 24th, in honor of Miss Ear-
lougher, a debutante of this season.

Mrs. William Curtis Hill will give a tea
Monday, November 26, to meet Miss
Ducat, who is the guest of Mrs. Edward
Stallwagen.

WEDDING GUESTS POISONED

**Sixty Are Made Ill by Food Which
Is Tainted With.**

**Uncle of Bride Dies and Several
Others Are in Serious Condition.
Police Are Investigating.**

Springfield, Mass., Nov. 22.—The sup-
posed deliberate poisoning of the food set
before 60 guests at the wedding of Miss
Anna Florence Smith and Samuel E.
Brooklyn, Tuesday night, resulted in the
death yesterday of Miss Odessa, the bride's
uncle, and the serious illness of sixty per-
sons. Further fatalities probably will re-
sult, as a score of guests are critically
ill.

The poisoned food was beef tongue,
which was prepared with especial care by
the bride's father, a local butcher. The
wedding was performed in Highland Hall,
and the wedding feast was spread in the
palm garden of the floor below. Four
doors led into the palm garden, and none
of them were locked. Examination of the
meat shows that it was tainted.

Two of the guests were seized with vi-
olent illness, but the circumstances were
attributed to eating while overheated from
dancing. Carriages were summoned and
they were taken home.

Max Odessa, whose illness resulted fa-
tally, complained of griping pains during
the night. He went to his business as
usual yesterday morning, and about 9
o'clock was seized with nausea. He went
home and died before noon.

The bride and bridegroom did not have
an opportunity to eat before leaving the
city.

THOUSANDS BEG FOR NIAGARA.

**Taft's Office Flooded with Letters
Pleading for Protection.**

Secretary of War Taft's office force is
having a busy time caring for hundreds of
postal cards and letters begging Mr. Taft
to save Niagara Falls. They are a re-
sult of the propaganda of the American
Civic Association to stop the wholesale
use of water for electric power.

There is to be a hearing at the War
Department next Monday having a mat-
terial bearing on the situation. Mr. Taft
will listen to arguments concerning the
amount of power to be harnessed into this
country from the plants on the Canadian
side.

By an act of Congress the Secretary
has the power to limit the importation of
power. If a large amount of power is
imported to be used in the United States
then the plants on the other side will use
all the more water, and will consequently
affect the beauty of the falls. The com-
munications come from all parts of the
country.

ARTHUR DEVLIN TO MARRY.

**Washington Athlete to Wed Miss
Wilks, of Chicago.**

Arthur Devlin, the noted baseball play-
er of the Giants, is to marry, on Thank-
sgiving Day, Miss Irma Wilks, daughter of
a Chicago banker. Their romance began
in childhood, when they were playmates
at school.

Devlin is regarded as one of the most
efficient third basemen in the country.
His career on the diamond has been short
but brilliant. He was born and reared
in Washington, and got his first knowl-
edge of the game when a student at
Georgetown University in 1900 and 1901.

Miss Wilks is twenty-one years old. She
finished her education at a private school
in Washington.

NEW COUNTERFEIT BILL OUT.

**Bogus Silver Certificate for \$5 Dis-
covered in Chicago.**

A new counterfeit \$5 silver certificate,
which made its appearance in Chicago, has
been discovered by the secret service. The
bad bill is of the series of 1899, and bears
the signature of A. J. W. Lyons, Register
of the Treasury, and Charles H. Treat,
Treasurer of the United States.

It is described as a crudely executed
process note, on single piece of paper,
slightly thinner than the genuine, with
the fiber imitated by red and blue ink
marks on the surface. The whole appear-
ance is such as to deceive a careless per-
son, but not an experienced handler of money.

YOUNG VIOLINIST TO PLAY.
William Morse Rummel to Appear
at Washington College Concert.

MORRIS TEAM FAILS

**Effort to Wrest Honors from
Vanderbilt Is in Vain.**

MISS WILKES ALSO WINNER

**Canadian Girl, with Kentucky Tod,
Carries Off First Prizes—More Blue
Ribbons Go to Vanderbilt Stables,
Nebraska Breeder Attracts Atten-
tion with Breezy Style.**

New York, Nov. 22.—That cab horse
bought by Alfred Vanderbilt at Syracuse
last summer helped him to win the blue
ribbon at the National Horse Show to-
day. In the strongest class of road teams
ever seen at Madison Square Garden, in-
terest in the classes throughout the day
and evening was as bright and sparkling
as the beads in champagne.

In quality and variety the exhibits were
the greatest in all the types ever seen
on the tan bark. The American trotter
had a very prominent place in the judg-
ing, and many gentlemen farmers and
owners of fast roadsters appeared for
the first time during the week among the
onlookers.

Miss Katherine L. Wilkes, of Galt, Ont-
ario, displayed her great two-year-old
Kentucky Tod, that in October won a
Futurity for his age at Lexington. The
colt started twice at the meeting, and his
winning was \$2,500.

Kentucky Tod, who has a record of
2:14, outclassed the other in the ring
against him in looks. Although low in
flesh after the training stable, as much as
he did on his record, it was a foregone
conclusion that he would get the blue. The
second prize going to Du Mond Boy, ex-
hibited in the pink of show condition, but
not a very clean stepper in front.

Miss Wilkes also won the blue ribbon in
the class for Canadian farm horses as an amateur.
Until last season she was the only woman
to have a racing string on the grand cir-
cuit, but this year Miss Lotta Crabtree has
divided the distinction with her. Miss
Wilkes saw her horses win, and had a
good time answering the congratulations
of her friends.

Miss Wilkes an Amateur.

Miss Wilkes, who three years ago won
the championship for roadsters with Rhea
and Eastern Bells, breeds horses at
her Canadian farm purely as an amateur.
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of her friends.

One of the exhibitors in the trotting
classes is the Nebraska breeder, L. C.
Kinney, whose stallion, Norel King, was
third in the afternoon. Full-headed, and
wearily in the latest Bushnell shape, the
black derby, the Westerner rode the
pony and guided his horses with all the
vim of a boy. His helpers were as rough-
gaited in attire as the owner, and their
outfit in each class suggested a wild West
show.

No less than ten teams appeared in the
afternoon class for the best road team.
Judge Moore sprang a surprise on the
public with a gray team of unexampled
style and finish. In this class for two
years and at a dozen of the smaller
shows, Alfred Vanderbilt has had a walk-
over with one of his gray teams. It was
evident that the judge had been quietly
preparing for what racegoers call "a
killing," but the best he could do was to
take the second ribbon.

Too Much Style for Road.

"They have too much style for the road
and are fit for a coaching club parade,"
is the only disparaging comment that
could be made on the Moore team. In
fact, the same criticism could be passed
on each of the ten exhibits, for the only
tradition of the road respected by the
owners was to go in for old colors and
contrasts. Most startling in this respect
was the second team from the Vander-
bilt stable, in which grays and piebalds
were crossed. Guards in brilliant liveries
and tooling horns helped to enliven the
scene and recall the atmosphere of the
road.

Endurance, speed, and the ability to
whirl the coach along were all in evi-
dence in Alfred Vanderbilt's team, shown
to his white racing coach that ran to Bel-
mont Park this season. He had Storm
King and Viking, of the former winning
team, and the wheel, and the leaders were
Vogue and Cabby.

Horatio N. Bain, of Poughkeepsie, took
the blue ribbon for two-year-old and year-
ling fillies, with Frances Bain and Alcina
Robbins II, both of his own breeding.

Gentlemen riders had a place in the
afternoon and evening classes on hunters
and polo ponies, and the interest in the
Misses Wilkes' team was not lessened by
the fact that they were shown by the
amateurs. Women also rode, and in a
saddle-horse class of as high quality as
the ring has ever seen, Brigand, ridden
by Miss Marian Holloway, won the sec-
ond blue ribbon of the week. This is a
six-year-old gelding by Belvidere, dam
Livonia, and bred by James Galloway. Like
the parents, Brigand has raced in the
colors of the French Standard.

List of the Awards.

Following are the awards:
Pony stallions and brood mares: Class
22—Stallions, three years old and over;
first prize \$100, Berkeley Bantam, b. s.,
11½ hands, aged; William H. Moore.
Class 23—Stallions, three years old and
over; first prize, \$100; Horace, Jr., b. s.,
14½ hands, four years; S. A. Fletcher.
Class 24—Brood mares (other than Shet-
lands); first prize, \$80; Lady Kitty, b. m.,
14 hands, 12 years; Eben D. Jordan.

Class 25—Shetland stallions (must be
registered); first prize, \$80, Ellerslie of
Pittsford, blk., 40 inches, aged; Ellsmore
Farm.

Class 26—Shetland brood mares (must be
registered). First prize, \$80, Donna Fort-
una, black, 39 inches, 8 years, T. L. Watt,
Jr.

Class 27—Pony stallions (other than
Shetlands). First prize, \$150, Ditham
Prime Minister, brown, 13½ hands, aged,
Eben D. Jordan.

Class 28—Stallions, three years old. First
prize, \$150, Mograza, b. s., 13½ hands,
aged; Miss K. L. Wilkes.

Class 29—Stallions, two years old. First
prize, \$100, Kentucky Tod, black, by Todd,
dam Paronella; Miss K. L. Wilkes.

Class 30—Fillies, three years old. First
prize, \$150, Mayrose, b. f., 13½ hands,
aged; W. R. Murray, agent.

Class 31—Fillies, two years old. First
prize, \$100, Francis Bain, br., 15 hands, by
Master Elect, dam Carry B. Medium;
Horatio N. Bain.

Class 32—Colts or fillies, one-year-old
(foaled in 1905). First prize, \$100, Alcina
Robbins, eleven years, b. f., 15 hands, by
Sir Robbins, dam Alcina; Horatio N.
Bain.

Class 33—Brood mares, four-year-old and
over. First prize, \$100, Killa, b. f., eleven
years, by Kremlin, dam Lulu; W. R. Mur-
ray, agent.

Class 34—Novice class, horses exceeding
15½ hands. First prize, \$150, Wytheville
Majesty, b. c., 15½ hands, six years; Wil-
liam H. Moore; driven by owner.

Class 35—Ponies in harness. First prize,
\$80, Lady Eccles, br. m., 13 hands, six
years, J. W. Harriman, driven by J.
Donnelly.

Class 36—Roadsters; horses four years

b. m., 13½ hands, six years, E. T. Stotes-
old or over. First prize, \$150, Preferred,
bury, driven by G. M. Webb.

Class 37—Jumpers; for the best per-
formance of hunters or jumpers over six
fences. First prize, \$200, The Wasp, b. g.,
13½ hands, five years, Crow & Murray,
ridden by J. Hamilton.

Class 38—Four-in-hands; for the best
road team. First prize, \$250, Vogue,
Gibby, Storm King, and Viking, Oakland
Farm, driven by Alfred G. Vanderbilt.

KNOWS NOTHING OF FREEMAN.

**Wilson Says He Has No Reports of
"Poison Squad" Death.**

Secretary Wilson of the Department of
Agriculture officially has heard nothing
of the death of Robert V. Freeman, whose
fatal illness was attributed by the boy's
mother to his having weakened his consti-
tution while a member of the official
"poison squad."

Dr. H. W. Wiley, Chief of the Bureau
of Chemistry, under whose supervision the
experiment was established and conduct-
ed, has received no official report of the
case.

"I know nothing about the matter be-
yond what I have read in the papers,"
Secretary Wilson said yesterday.

Before any action is taken in the matter
Mrs. Lathan, the widowed mother, who
lives at 617 Thirteenth street, will consult
an attorney. While she holds the govern-
ment responsible, she has not announced
that she intended bringing suit. She says
her son was in perfect health when he en-
tered the service, and that the acids used
weakened his constitution and ruined his
stomach to such an extent that he con-
tracted tuberculosis.

While Freeman was in the West trying
to regain his health, his mother in Wash-
ington was sending him regular remit-
tances from her earnings as a dress
maker.

The funeral was held yesterday from the
Church of the Ascension, where at one
time he was a member of the choir.

LAZY RICH CALLED PAUPERS

**Mrs. Stokes Scores Women Who
Would Spend \$250,000 on Dress.**

**Tells Italian Banker's Daughter She
Is Pauper Because She Can, but
Will Not Support Herself.**

New York, Nov. 22.—Miss Giulia Moro-
sini, daughter of the Italian banker, who
recently announced yesterday that she
thought a quarter of a million dollars a
year is none too much for a woman to
spend on dress, and wound up with the
query, "What would the poor do if there
were no rich to work for?" has stirred up
a decided hornet's nest, both in society
and social reform circles in this city.

Mrs. Rose Pastor-Stokes, the young
Jewish cigar worker, who electrified soci-
ety by marrying J. G. Phelps Stokes a
year ago, took it upon herself to answer
Miss Morosini to-day by saying:

"Please, God, if the poor couldn't work
for the rich they would be able to work
for themselves. It is because such women
as Miss Morosini, and women of her
class, never think what things cost, and
that women of the working class are
compelled to think constantly of what
things cost, that the rude awakening is
bound to come to all of us some day.

"Any lady who renders no service to
the community has no moral right to take
any wealth from the community. That
a class of idlers should have so much
wealth as to ruin even their own souls in
reckless and extravagant living, and the
class of workers should have barely
enough to keep body and soul to-
gether, is the one crying shame of our
so-called civilization.

"Miss Morosini is a pauper. She is a
pauper and a true pauper, because she
can, but is not willing, to support herself,
and is thus thrown on the shoulders of
the community."

Dr. Thompson Convalescing.

Reports from the bedside of Dr. J. Ford
Thompson in London are encouraging. Dr.
Thomas E. McArdle, son-in-law of Dr.
Thompson, received a cablegram yester-
day from his wife, who is with her father,
stating that the patient is convalescing
from the operation performed eleven
days ago.

PLACES OF INTEREST.

Congressional Library—Open 9 a. m. to 10 p. m.
on regular days; from 2 p. m. to 10 p. m. on Sun-